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## JAMAICA.

*Sanitary report—Arrival of Cuban refugees.*KINGSTON, JAMAICA, *June 25, 1898.*

SIR: I have the honor of informing you that several cases of varicella have appeared at Kingston, but, as vaccination is compulsory and is strictly carried out, I have no fears of smallpox breaking out, as some physicians, who look upon varicella as a precursor of the latter disease, seem to believe. Malarial fevers are now very common after the heavy summer showers, and diarrhea prevails largely among children.

Another large contingent of Cuban refugees has just arrived. This time they are all of Spanish birth, and liable to infection from yellow fever and to carry the germs of the disease wherever they go. The health authorities here bear this fact in mind, and are very careful and strict in carrying out their quarantine regulations. All vessels arriving from Cuban ports are quarantined or placed under observation.

Respectfully,

H. S. CAMINERO,  
*Sanitary Inspector, U. S. M. H. S.*

## JAPAN.

*Report of the prevalence of certain infectious diseases in Japan.*YOKOHAMA, JAPAN, *June 16, 1898.*

SIR: I have the honor to forward herewith my regular report of infectious disease in Japan for period June 6 to June 15.

The sanitary condition of the Empire, with the exception of Formosa, is exceptionally good for the season.

You will observe that a fatal case of plague is reported from the Nagasaki quarantine. This was detected six days ago upon the Japanese steamship *Hikozan Maru*, from Hongkong, and, so far, has not been followed by others. The Japanese authorities are certainly to be congratulated upon their success in preventing the introduction of this disease, and this, notwithstanding that something like a dozen cases have been landed at their different quarantine stations since the outbreak of the malady at Hongkong in 1894. In every instance, however, the disease has been promptly controlled, not only in confining it to the quarantine limits, but as regards the ship infected as well.

I am, sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

STUART ELDRIDGE, M. D.,  
*Sanitary Inspector, U. S. M. H. S.*

*Report of infectious disease in Japan from June 6 to June 15, 1898.*

Locality.	Plague.		Cholera.		Dysentery.		Smallpox.	
	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
Kioto Fu.....								
Osaka Fu.....					1			
Tokyo Fu.....			2	1	4			
Aichi Ken.....					5			
Akita Ken.....					1			
Awamori Ken.....					3	1	16	2
Chiba Ken.....								
Fukui Ken.....								
Fukuoka Ken.....							1	
Fukushima Ken.....					1			
Gifu Ken.....					2			
Gumma Ken.....					2			
Hiogo Ken.....								
Hiroshima Ken.....								
Ibaraki Ken.....					5	1		
Ishikawa Ken.....								
Iwate Ken.....								
Kagawa Ken.....					3			
Kagoshima Ken.....					22	4		
Kanagawa Ken.....			1		4	1		
Kochi Ken.....								
Kumamoto Ken.....					4	2		
Miyagi Ken.....					1		4	
Miyazaki Ken.....					31	8		
Miye Ken.....								
Nagano Ken.....					4			
Nagasaki Ken.....	(a)1	1						
Nara Ken.....								
Niigata Ken.....								
Oita Ken.....								
Okayama Ken.....					5	1		
Okinawa Ken.....								
Saga Ken.....								
Saitama Ken.....					2			
Shidzuoka Ken.....					28	6		
Shiga Ken.....							1	
Shimane Ken.....								
Tochigi Ken.....					4			
Tokushima Ken.....					1	1		
Tottori Ken.....							1	
Toyama Ken.....								
Wakayama Ken.....					14	1		
Yamagata Ken.....							2	
Yamaguchi Ken.....								
Yamanashi Ken.....					54	5		
Yehime Ken.....					1		1	
The Hokkaido.....					2	2	1	
Taiwan (Formosa).....	115	62						
Total.....	116	63	3	2	202	33	27	2

<sup>a</sup> Case in quarantine from steamship *Hikozan Maru*.

## TURKEY.

*Arrival of pilgrims at Constantinople.*

[Report No. 195.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 29, 1898.

The pilgrims have already come back from Djiddah, and have arrived in Constantinople. Before passing the Suez Canal, they, as well as the disbanded soldiers, underwent a ten-days' quarantine at Tor, in the Red Sea, and a five-days' quarantine in the lazarettos of the Mediterranean *i. e.* in Beirut, Clazomenes, or Tripoli in Africa. There are about 3,000 pilgrims who have already arrived in Constantinople. Before landing they were subjected to a medical inspection by the sanitary physician. They are all in good health.

Dr. Nicol, the director of the Institut Pasteur, of this town, who went to Smyrna to inquire about the suspected case of plague, has pre-